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Transmitted herewith for filing is a utility patent application:

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Title: OPERATION MONITORING AND ENHANCED HOST
 COMMUNICATIONS IN SYSTEMS EMPLOYING ELECTRONIC
 ARTICLE SURVEILLANCE AND RFID TAGS

I. PAPERS ENCLOSED HEREWITH FOR FILING UNDER 37 CFR § 1.53(b):

39 Pages of Written Description
 13 Pages of Claims
 1 Page of Abstract

II. ADDITIONAL PAPERS ENCLOSED IN CONNECTION WITH THIS FILING:

Unsigned Declaration
 Application Data Sheet
 Twelve sheets of drawings
 Return receipt postcard

III. PRIORITY

This is a continuation, divisional, continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No. 10/390,542 filed March 14, 2003, which claims priority from U.S. provisional application no. 60/365,432 filed March 18, 2002.

Prior application information: Group Art Unit 2635

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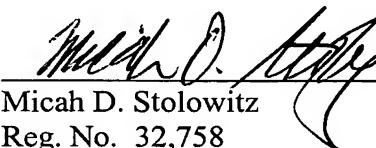
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